

**NCP3-E42****PATENT APPLICATION****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**In re Application of:****Examiner: Ramesh Krishnamurthy****MALLORY, ET. AL.****Group Art Unit: 3753****Serial No.: 09/738,194****January 18, 2002****Filed: 12/13/00****San Diego, California 92108****For: IMPROVED PRESSURE  
CONTROLLER AND METHOD****CUSTOMER NUMBER: 22848****AMENDMENT**

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 12/18/01, please amend the subject application as follows:

**RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT:**

In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement, Applicants respectfully Elect Claim Group II, Claims 9-18.

Please cancel Claims 1-8.

**C nclusion**

In view of the foregoing amendments, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be reconsidered, the claims be allowed, and the case passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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